

5TH ANNUAL PARKS & GREENSPACE CONFERENCE

🌿 ATLANTA BOTANICAL GARDEN – MARCH 27, 2006 🌿



Building a World Class Park System

Georgia's largest park and greenspace conference! We are excited to have a stellar list of speakers and participants for what promises to be an informative, inspiring and rewarding day (8:30-5:00) focusing on how public-private partnerships can improve our parks and our quality of life. This is a wonderful opportunity for residents, community leaders and professionals working on park, greenspace, and quality growth issues to spend a day learning from their peers and industry leaders.

FEATURED SPEAKERS

- ❖ **Will Rogers, President, The Trust for Public Land**
Will Rogers is president of the Trust for Public Land (TPL), a national land conservation nonprofit headquartered in San Francisco. TPL has helped thousands of communities in 46 states protect over 1.6 million acres of land valued at more than \$3 billion. One-third of this acreage and half the land value has been conserved since Mr. Rogers became president in 1998.
- ❖ **Lisa Borders, Atlanta City Council President**
- ❖ **Ray Weeks, The BeltLine Partnership**
- ❖ **Kim M. Bailey, Denver Manager of Parks and Recreation**
- ❖ **Patrick Davis, St. Louis Great River Greenways Project**
- ❖ **Gil Penalosa, Former Commissioner Parks, Sports & Recreation, Bogotá, Colombia**
- ❖ **Rex Schuder, Gwinnett County Parks and Recreation**

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE

A presentation on the BeltLine by Ray Weeks, President of the BeltLine Partnership

The World Class Park System – An International Perspective featuring representatives from Bogotá, Columbia; Chicago; Denver; Mississauga, Canada; St. Louis and metro Atlanta

Exciting Breakout Sessions on:

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| ▪ <i>Raising Money for your Park</i> | ▪ <i>Parks that Work</i> |
| ▪ <i>Playground Construction and Safety Standards (CEUs available)</i> | ▪ <i>Working with Developers to Preserve Greenspace</i> |
| ▪ <i>Programming Park Events and Activities</i> | ▪ <i>Managing Athletic Fields (CEUs available)</i> |
| | ▪ <i>Beyond the BeltLine – Other Park Opportunities</i> |

Courtyard displays for non-profits, businesses and others to showcase work, goals & accomplishments.

Other Featured Participants:

Allison Barnett – Park Pride
Bert Bellinson – Candler Park FallFest
Steve Cover – Atlanta Commissioner of Planning
Wayne Darcey – Atlanta Office of Parks
Cynthia Gentry – Virginia Highlands Civic Association
Mrs. R.R. Harris – Adamsville Community
Na'Taki Osborne – National Wildlife Federation
Steve Provost – jB+a
Patty Schappet – Boundless Playgrounds
Pam Sessions – Hedgewood Properties (*invited*)
Courtney Smith – Piedmont Park Conservancy
Joyce Sheperd – Atlanta City Council
Jack Sprott – Atlanta Development Authority
Chet Thomas – Jaeger Company
Alice Wakefield – Atlanta Planning Department
Dr. Clint Waltz – University of Georgia
Pete Zirnheld – Southern Playgrounds

BELTLINE TOUR

On Saturday, March 25, Park Pride, The Trust for Public Land and Southface will host a guided tour of the BeltLine. The tour leaves Piedmont Park at 9:30 AM and returns at 12:00 Noon. \$35 includes lunch.

Seating is limited.

Registration (includes lunch) is \$80 before February 27, \$90 through March 24, and \$100 thereafter. For more information, or to register on-line, visit www.parkpride.org or call 404-817-6761.